



Integration Workgroup

Iowa Smart Planning Task Force

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Integration

Scope of workgroup is to evaluate state policies, programs, statutes, and rules to determine whether they should be revised to integrate the Iowa Smart Planning Principles.



Integration

We are asking pertinent state agencies to complete a survey which will assist the Task Force in understanding current work and needed steps.



Pilot Survey

- Department of Transportation
- Department of Management
- University of Northern Iowa
- Department of Natural Resources
- Department of Defense/Homeland Security and Emergency Management
- + Iowa Department of Economic Development



Pilot Survey

1. What planning processes, policies, programs, statutes and rules does your agency administer that impact the built environment of local communities, including how they grow, change and resize, such as zoning, development and resource management?



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2. In what ways does your agency currently conduct planning processes or use Smart Planning Principles? Please describe specific planning processes and/or application of smart planning principles.



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3. Has your agency included Smart Planning Principles in grant eligibility criteria and review processes for funding awarded by your agency?
 - a. If so, how has this been incorporated?
 - b. If not, has a process been established to review grant eligibility and award criteria for the purpose of determining how to incorporate Smart Planning Principles into your grant programs?



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4. The attached checklist was provided to agency directors in May as a way to track the use of Smart Planning Principles in decision-making processes. Is your agency currently using this checklist?
 - a. If yes, please provide copies of any completed checklists.
 - b. If no, is there another way in which your agency is integrating these principles?



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5. What are barriers within your agency or within the grant programs your agency administers to the integration of these principles in the grant programs?



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6. What incentives might assist you in integrating these principles into grant eligibility and award processes?



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7. What impacts do you think such smart planning integration would have on the following?

- a. State program administration and grant awards
- b. Local governments
- c. Other entities
- d. Citizens quality of life and the environment



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8. Can you suggest ways for the state to apply Smart Planning Principles at the state-agency level in a manner that promotes integration and collaboration among all State agencies?



Next Steps

- Survey responses due August 16 for review by Workgroup.
- Workgroup meets September 9
 - 1:30 – 4:00 at RIO
 - Analysis survey results and determine how best to proceed